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To: Broome County Transportation Providers
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Subject: Proposed Taxi Rate Change
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MAS has been managing Broome County non-emergency Medicaid Transportation since March 2012. We have analyzed the Broome County Medicaid transportation taxi rate structure with NYSDOH. There is a desire to bring the Broome County taxi rate structure for Medicaid transportation in-line with the Medicaid transportation taxi rate structure for other NYS counties (barring no local law restrictions regarding taxi rate).

Goal; Change Broome County Medicaid Transportation taxi rate structure from a complicated rate structure to a simplified taxi base rate and taxi mileage structure within 30 to 90 days to provide a consistent payment methodology and to improve the payment turn-around time.

- Obtain taxi base and taxi mileage rate proposals for all trips from Broome County taxi providers, based on a simple analysis of costs and expenses. Each transportation provider has the opportunity to submit a proposal to MAS.
- All trips would be billed taxi base and taxi mileage (loaded miles) similar to other counties in NYS.
- Remove taxi zones for flat rate Medicaid taxi billing and replace with base and mileage billing for all Medicaid taxi trips to decrease correction requests and improve payment turnaround time.

Considerations; taxi rates vary from county to county and some of the considerations when establishing rates include but are not limited to urban versus rural transportation, concentration of rides, transportation provider expenses etc...

Please provide some ideas for an updated taxi rates using base rate and mileage for all Broome County Medicaid transportation trips by July 20, 2012. You may send your ideas to Wayne Freeman at wfreeman@medanswering.com, fax 315-299-2787 or by phone 315-701-7009.

Sample taxi rates from other counties

Delaware County
A0100 Taxi Base \$6.00
S0215 Taxi Mileage \$2.69

Sullivan County
A0100 Taxi Base \$2.80
S0215 Taxi Mileage \$2.80

Chenango County (From Fee Schedule)
A0100 Taxi Base \$4.00
S0215 Taxi Mileage \$1.50

Oneida County
A0100 Taxi Base \$4.00
S0215 Taxi Mileage \$2.00